## REPORT

DATE:

May 3, 2007

TO:

Regional Council

FROM:

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**SUBJECT:** 

State Office of Emergency Services Grant Funding for Earthquake Preparedness

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Authorize SCAG to apply for, and if awarded, accept, State Office of Emergency Services (OES) Grant Funds for Earthquake Preparedness.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Fiscal Year 2007 Emergency Management Performance Grant (FY07 EMPG) funds have been awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the states nationwide to support comprehensive emergency management at the state and local levels, and to encourage the improvement of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery capabilities for all hazards. The Southern Region of the State OES has asked SCAG to accept \$150,000 in EMPG funding to provide, through consultant services, regional coordination for the local "Dare to Prepare" earthquake readiness campaign developed by the Earthquake County Alliance. The mission of the Alliance is to unite leaders in government, disaster response, business, media, education and local communities to inspire responsibility for community earthquake safety and recovery, increase awareness, preparedness and mitigation, and improve response and recovery planning, thus reducing future earthquake related losses. SCAG staff has been participating for the past year in the local Earthquake County Alliance, working with the US Geological Survey, the City of Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Department, the Southern California Earthquake Center at USC, and the OES. The required 50% match will be provided as in-kind services provided by one or more of the local partner agencies.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Grant funds and the required associated match will be included in SCAG's Comprehensive Budget to conduct program services.

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